



REGION 4 UTAH AQUISTION SUPPORT CENTER INSTRUCTIONAL COVER SHEET

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SOLICITATION NO. AG-84N8-S-14-0043 DUE DATE: APRIL 30, 2014 @ 3:00 P.M. MST

QUOTES ARE SOLICITED FOR: LOG OUT – ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST (FLAMING GORGE & VERNAL RANGER DISTRICTS)

SET-ASIDE: SMALL BUSINESS

IMPORTANT – NOTICE TO OFFEROR:

OFFEROR SHALL SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS WITH THEIR RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION:

1. RFQ FORM (Complete, date, and sign) (Page 2)
2. Schedule of Items (Page 3 & 4)
3. Representations and Certifications (Complete the Representations and Certifications electronically at the System For Award Management website at <http://sam.gov>)
4. Experience Questionnaire (Document 01, page 42.43)
5. AGAR 104a (Document 02, page 44)

IT IS REQUIRED THAT YOU WRITE THE SOLICITATION NUMBER ON THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR ENVELOPE.

Return to: Utah Acquisition Support Center
2222 West 2300 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84119-2020
Solicitation No. AG-84N8-S-14-0043 Lu Fowler

FAXED QUOTES WILL BE ACCEPTABLE: FAX 801-975-3483, Attn: Lu Fowler

IT IS REQUIRED THAT ALL CONTRACTORS BE REGISTERED IN THE SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT DATABASE AND BE REGISTERED UNDER THE NAICS CODE THAT THIS SOLICITATION IS BEING ISSUED UNDER PRIOR TO AWARD UNDER THIS SOLICITATION.

EFFECTIVE APRIL 22, 2012 – REMEMBER TO COMPLETE/UPDATE YOUR NEW CERTIFICATION FAPIIS THROUGH SAM.

1.0 SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS <i>OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30</i>				1. REQUISITION NUMBER 685699		PAGE 1 OF			
2. CONTRACT NO.		3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE		4. ORDER NUMBER		5. SOLICITATION NUMBER AG-84N8-S-14-0043		6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE April 9, 2014	
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL		a. NAME Elouise Fowler, Contracting Officer				b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No collect calls) 801-975-3367		8. OFFER DUE DATE/LOCAL TIME 04/30/14 3:00 p.m. MST	
9. ISSUED BY USDA-Forest Service Utah Acquisition Support Center 2222 West 2300 South Salt Lake City, UT 84119-2020				CODE 84N8		10. THIS ACQUISITION IS: <input type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: 100 % FOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Business <input type="checkbox"/> Emerging Small Business <input type="checkbox"/> Hubzone Small Business <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A) <input type="checkbox"/> Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business NAICS: 115310 SIZE STANDARD: \$7.0			
11. Delivery for FOB Destination unless Block is Marked <input type="checkbox"/> See Schedule		12. Discount Terms		<input type="checkbox"/> 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700)		13b. RATING 14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFQ <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP			
15. DELIVER TO See Delivery Schedule				CODE 8499		16. ADMINISTERED BY Same as Block 9			
17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR TELEPHONE NO.: _____ DUNS NO.: _____ TIN No.: _____		CODE FACILITY CODE		18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY U.S. Dept. of Agriculture National Finance Center P.O. Box 60000 New Orleans, LA 70160-0001					
<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER				18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM					
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES			21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT		
	2014 Log Out Project, Flaming Gorge RD & Vernal RD, On the Ashley National Forest This requirement is being procured as a fixed-price Simplified Acquisition. PLEASE PLACE YOUR QUOTE IN SECTION I- SCHEDULE OF ITEMS <i>(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)</i>								
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA						26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED. <input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.									
28. <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN _____ COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN.					29. <input type="checkbox"/> AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. _____ OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:				
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR					31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)				
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)			30c. DATE SIGNED		31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (TYPE OR PRINT)		31c. DATE SIGNED		

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32a. QUANTITY IN COLUMN 21 HAS BEEN

☐ RECEIVED ☐ INSPECTED ☐ ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS NOTED: _____

32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		32c. DATE	32d. PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE	
32e. MAILING ADDRESS OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			32f. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE	
			32g. E-MAIL OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE	
33. SHIP NUMBER		34. VOUCHER NUMBER	35. AMOUNT VERIFIED CORRECT FOR	36. PAYMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL
<input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL				37. CHECK NUMBER
38. S/R ACCOUNT NUMBER	39. S/R VOUCHER NUMBER	40. PAID BY		
41a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT		42a. RECEIVED BY (Print)		
41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERIFYING OFFICER		42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)		
		42c. DATE REC'D (YY/MM/DD)		42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS

SECTION 2 -- SCHEDULE OF ITEMS
2014 Log Out Contract – Ashley National Forest

USDA Forest Service - Flaming Gorge and Vernal Ranger Districts						
SCHEDULE OF ITEMS - 2014 LOG OUT CONTRACT						
ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	METHOD OF MEASURE	UNIT OF MEASURE	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
Flaming Gorge Ranger District						
01	Tr. 1023 - North Fork Sheep Creek From jct with Rd. 001 to jct with tr. 1024	AQ	MILE	8.56	\$	\$
02	Tr. 1024 - Tamarack Lake From Spirit Lake TH to jct. with tr. 1023 near Tamarack Lake & loop back to TH	AQ	MILE	2.18	\$	\$
03	Tr. 1022 - Hickerson Park From Hickerson Park TH off rd. 001 to jct. with tr. 1017	AQ	MILE	5.14	\$	\$
04	Tr. 1022A - Hickerson Park Spur From jct. with tr. 1022 to rd. 001	AQ	MILE	1.32	\$	\$
Vernal Ranger District						
05	Tr. 0048 - Queant From jct. with Trail 1025 to jct. with Trail 0049	AQ	MILE	9.39	\$	\$
06	Tr. 0048A - Queant Spur A From jct. with Rd. 306 to jct with Trail 0048	AQ	MILE	0.67	\$	\$
07	Tr. 0048C- Queant Spur C From jct. with tr.1047 to jct with tr. 0048	AQ	MILE	0.39	\$	\$
08	Tr. 0048D - Queant Spur D From jct. with tr. 1047 to jct with tr. 0048	AQ	MILE	0.88	\$	\$
09	Tr. 0048E - Queant Spur E From jct. with Rd. 306 to jct with Trail 1047	AQ	MILE	0.74	\$	\$
10	Tr. 0048F - Queant Spur F From jct. with tr. 0048 to jct with tr. 1047	AQ	MILE	0.38	\$	\$
11	Tr. 1047 - West Fork Whiterocks From West Fork Whiterocks TH to the Wilderness Boundry	AQ	MILE	6.8	\$	\$
12	Tr. 1047A - West Fork Whiterocks From jct. with Trail 1047 to jct. with Trail 1047, Loop east to west.	AQ	MILE	1.21	\$	\$
13	Tr. 0049 - East Fork Whiterocks From jct. with Trail 1025, loop to Dead Horse Park, back to jct. with Trail 1025	AQ	MILE	9.23	\$	\$
14	Tr. 0134 - Elk Horn - West Fork (Partial) From jct. with Road 110 to jct. with Road 282 at Davis Park.	AQ	MILE	5.16	\$	\$

15	Tr. 0134 - Elk Horn - West Fork (Partial) From jct. with Road 394 to jct. with Road 282 at Davis Park.	AQ	MILE	9.18	\$	\$
16	Tr. 0124 - Whiterocks Lake From jct with tr. 1025 to jct. with tr. 0049	AQ	MILE	2.06	\$	\$
17	Tr. 1025 - Highline Trail (Partial) From jct with tr. 0075 to jct. with tr. 1025C	AQ	MILE	6.65	\$	\$
18	Tr. 1025 - Highline Trail (Partial) From jct with tr. 1025C to jct with tr. 0048	AQ	MILE	3.64	\$	\$
19	Tr. 1025C - Highline Trail Spur C From jct with tr. 1025 to jct. with tr. 1025	AQ	MILE	1.76	\$	\$
	TOTAL	AQ	MILE	75.34	\$	\$

The Contractor acknowledges that it has taken steps reasonably necessary to ascertain the nature and location of the work, and that it has investigated and satisfied itself as to the general and local conditions which can affect the work or its cost. The Contractor also acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the character, quality, and quantity of surface and subsurface materials or obstacles to be encountered insofar as this information is reasonably ascertainable from a n inspection for the site. Any failure of the Contractor to take the actions described and acknowledged in this paragraph will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the Government.

Contract Time: Approximately 20 days between May 15, 2014 and September 15, 2014

Estimated Start Date: TBD

Point of Contacts: Technical (COR): Ryan Buerkle, 435-781-5114, rjbuerkle@fs.fed.us
Contractual (CO): Elouise Fowler, 801-975-3367, efowler@fs.fed.us

Business Name: _____

Offeror's Name & Title: _____

Date: _____

Dun's Number: _____

Notice to Offerors: Funds have been reserved but are not presently available for this project. No award will be made under this solicitation until funds are available. The Government reserves the right to cancel this solicitation, either before or after the closing date. In the event the Government cancels this solicitation, the Government has no obligation to reimburse an offeror for any costs.

SECTION 3 – SPECIFICATIONS

3.1 SCOPE OF CONTRACT:

This project will consist of cutting out and removing all down and leaning trees within the clearing limits of the trail. The clearing limits for width and height as well as stump height requirements are as shown on the standard drawing.

3.2 LOCATION:

See the attached location map and spreadsheet for the list of trails to be logged out. The spreadsheet identifies the trails by name and number with a description and length in miles.

The trails are located on both the Flaming Gorge and the Vernal Ranger Districts.

3.3 SITE VISIT:

There will be no site visit scheduled for this project, offerers or quoters are urged and expected to inspect the sites where work is to be performed and to satisfy themselves regarding all general and local conditions that may affect the cost of contract performance, to the extent that the information is reasonably obtainable. In no event shall failure to inspect the site constitute grounds for a claim after contract award.

3.4 TRAVEL RESTRICTION

Motorized travel on all trails listed in this project is prohibited.

3.5 PROSECUTION OF WORK

The contractor will be required to commence work within TEN calendar days or sooner if possible after receiving the Notice To Proceed.

The intent of this contract is to achieve 75.34 miles of log out during 2014. The “SCHEDULE OF ITEMS” lists the trails within the scope of the contract. The attached map illustrates the trails to receive log out.

3.6 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

Period of performance will be determined by weather conditions and site accessibility. It is estimated that work may be around May 15, 2014 and be completed by September 15, 2014. The Contractor will have approximately 20 calendar days, after receipt of a Notice to Proceed, to complete the work.

3.7 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The log out project is subject to availability of funds. The Governments may or may not award this work, depending on availability of funds at any given time.

**US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE**

**SPECIAL PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS
2013 / 2014 LOG OUT CONTRACT**

The following Special Project Specifications amend or supplement the Forest Service Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Trails (September 1996), which is incorporated by reference.

SPECIAL PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS:

Section 951 – Mobilization

951.02 Basis. – Delete entire paragraph and add :
“No separate payment will be made for this item.”

Section 982 – Logging Out

Description

982.01 Work. This work consists of removing brush, logs, and down trees from the clearing limits.

Requirements

982.02 Clearing Out. Cut and remove all logs that extend across or into the clearing limits. The portions of cut logs that remain on the upper side of the trail shall be either firmly anchored to prevent sliding or rolling onto the trail way or moved across the trail to the lower side and scattered outside the clearing limits.

Fell all trees over 4 inches in diameter that are leaning into the clearing limits and that are within 10 feet above the trail bed. Stump height of leaning trees that are cut outside the clearing limits shall not exceed one (1) foot as measured on the uphill side of the stump. Disposal and payment for the leaning trees described above will be the same as for down logs and trees.

Remove roots and stumps from trees within the trail way that have been uprooted.

Rerouting the trail around windfalls, uprooted trees, and other obstacles will not be permitted. Ramp or reroute sections of the trail tread that have been damaged by uprooted stumps as necessary to provide safe passage on the trail. Payment for such work will be incidental to the specified work item, and no extra payment will be made.

Remove sticks or wood chunks exceeding 2 inches in diameter and 1 foot in length that have fallen on to the trail bed.

Scatter the down trees on the lower side of the trail way outside the clearing limits. Do not place such materials in stream channels, drainage ways, ditches, culvert catch basins, or other locations where they would prevent the free flow of water away from the trail bed.

Measurement

982.03 Method. Determine the quantity of logging out units by measuring the slope distance along the trail centerline or by actual count of those units designated for removal.

Payment

982.04 Basis Make payment, for all units inspected and accepted, at the unit prices SHOWN IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Make payment under:

PAY ITEMPAY UNIT

982(01) Logging Out

mile

SECTION 4 – PACKAGING AND MARKING

(There are no clauses under this section)

SECTION 5 - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE**5.1 FAR 52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference (FEB 1998)**

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as it they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at these addresses:

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/>

www.usda.gov/procurement/policy/agar.html

5.2 FAR 52.246-4 Inspection of Services - FIXED-PRICE (AUG 1996)

(a) *Definition.* "Services," as used in this clause, includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.

(b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Government covering the services under this contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Government during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires.

(c) The Government has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the contract, to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the contract. The Government shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.

(d) If the Government performs inspections or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in contract price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.

(e) If any of the services do not conform to contract requirements, the Government may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in contract amount. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Government may-

(1) Require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements; and

(2) Reduce the contract price to reflect the reduced value of the services performed.

(f) If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the services again or to take the necessary action to ensure future performance in conformity with contract requirements, the Government may-

(1) By contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the Government that is directly related to the performance of such service; or

(2) Terminate the contract for default.

SECTION 6 - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

6.1 DELIVERIES

6.1.1 Contract Performance Time and Required Rate of Progress

The Contractor shall maintain progress at a rate that will assure completion within the performance period. The minimum acceptable rate of progress will be calculated by dividing the total units of work by performance time specified. In the event the Contractor is delayed and falls more than 2 calendar days behind the progress rate required above, the Contractor's right to proceed is subject to immediate termination for default. See FAR 52.212-4(m), for additional information.

6.2 Notice to Proceed

The Government will issue a Notice to Proceed as soon as weather and ground conditions are favorable for planting and survival of the trees on one or more of the areas. If more than one area is available, the Contractor may specify the unit sequence with agreement by the Contracting Officer.

6.3 Contract Time

Contract time will start on the date specified on the Notice to Proceed. At that time the period of performance (clock) will begin.

6.4 Unfavorable conditions

Whenever it is determined that environmental or physical conditions become unsuitable for tree survival, the Contractor shall move to another area identified by the Contractor or the Contracting Officer. When no other area is available, the Government shall suspend work and stop the contract time. When conditions are again favorable, the Contracting Officer will issue a verbal resume work order and confirm that order in writing. The count of contract time will resume on the day indicated by the Contracting Officer. If the Contractor cannot be reached at the phone number provided (per Section C.4.11) a written Resume Work Order will be mailed and count of contract time will resume on the date specified.

6.5 FAR 52.236-6 Superintendence by the Contractor (APR 1984)

At all times during performance of this contract and until the work is completed and accepted, the Contractor shall directly superintend the work or assign and have on the worksite a competent superintendent who is satisfactory to the Contracting Officer and has authority to act for the Contractor.

SECTION 7 - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA**7.1 AGAR 452.211-74 Period of Performance (FEB 1988)**

Contract time (period of Performance will be determined by weather conditions and site accessibility. It is estimated that work may be around May 15, 2014 and be completed by September 15, 2014. The Contractor will have approximately 150 calendar days, after receipt of a Notice to Proceed, to complete the work.

7.2 Invoices

The vendor will provide an invoice for payment. Each invoice will contain the following information:

1. Name of Contractor
2. Contractor Address
3. Contractor Phone Number
4. Contract Number
5. Date of Delivery or Receipt
6. Itemize List of Supplies or Services Furnished
7. Quantity, Unit Price, and Applicable discounts
8. Signature of person Receiving Supplies or Services

An invoice shall be submitted stating total dollar value, supported by receipt copies. The information will be the responsibility of the Contractor. Failure to provide this information will result in delayed payment.

8.15 Prework Conference

Prior to commencement of work, the Contracting Officer will arrange a meeting with the Contractor to discuss the contract terms and work performance requirements. Also at this meeting such items as work progress schedule, safety plan, camping/worksites plan, and fire prevention and suppression plans shall be finalized in writing.

SECTION 8 - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

8.1 Wage Determination -- See Section 10, Document 03, Page 43-45

8.2 AGAR 452.237-74 Key Personnel (FEB 1988)

(a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel

CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE
FOREMAN/WOMAN

(b) The Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel without notifying the Contracting Officer within a reasonable timeframe and in advance, and shall submit justification (including proposed substitutions) in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the contract. Proposed substitutes should have comparable qualifications to those of the persons being replaced. The contract will be modified to reflect any approved changes of key personnel.

8.3 Fire Precautions

This plan outlines the channels of responsibility for fire prevention and suppression activities and sets up an attack procedure in the event of fire within the Project Area. The Project Area is defined as that area which is in and adjacent to the project rights-of-way and work areas and all roads used in connection with the work.

A. Contractor Responsibilities

Fire Suppression

1. It is understood and agreed that the Contractor will do all in his power to prevent and suppress fires on or adjacent to the Project Area, as stipulated in the contract.
2. The Contractor is responsible for and will direct all fires activities on the project until relieved by a Forest Officer and will ensure that prevention and suppression action are in accordance with contract requirements, including this fire plan. He will delegate the next higher in authority on the job to be responsible for the above activities when he is not on the project.
3. In line with this agreement, men will be supplied from the Contractor's crew to fight fires on the project area up to the total number of men employed by the Contractor as they are needed by the Fire Boss. The Forest service will make every effort to avoid calling on the contractor for action on fires outside the contract project area except in emergencies and will call out all needed available help to control fires in the general area.
4. The Contractor ensures that this Fire Plan will be complied with by him and his employees for the duration of the contract.
5. The Contractor shall furnish to the COR a list of manpower and equipment used on the contract on forms furnished by the Forest Service. Changes in Contractor's personnel shall be reflected in amendment to the list.

B. Forest Service District Ranger

Is responsible for all fire activities on the Ranger District on which the contract project is located. He or his representative will discuss the fire plan with the Contractor and will discuss with him the equipment and manpower action to be taken when a fire occurs. He will notify the Contractor through the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to take correction measures when fire requirements are not complied with.

Fire Prevention

Smoking will be prohibited in the woods during the fire season, May 10 through October 20, except in areas agreed upon by the Contractor and Contracting Officer's Representative. No smoking is prohibited while walking or working in the woods.

Refueling Chainsaw/Soil Auger.

Refueling will be confined to a six-foot diameter cleared to mineral earth. Chainsaws/soil auger sparks arrester shall be U.S. Forest Service approved, and will be cleaned daily. A size "0" or larger round-pointed shovel with a minimum of a 38-1/2" handle and fire extinguisher shall be within 10 feet of actual point of chainsaw/soil auger operation.

Burning, Blasting, or Welding

Permit will be required and will contain special stipulations pertinent to the particular job.

Spark Arresters

All internal combustion power equipment used by the Contractor on the project shall be equipped with an approved spark arrester as set forth in the publication of the USDA Forest Service, entitled "Standard 5100-1a for Spark Arresters for Internal Combustion engines" as amended under date of July 1970, and be listed in the most recent "Spark Arrester Guide" as having been approved as meeting above standard. They shall be cleaned regularly and maintained in satisfactory working condition. The following are exempt from the requirements of the rule:

- (a) Turbo-charged internal combustion engines in which 100 percent of the exhaust gasses pass through a turbo-charged;
- (b) Engines of passenger carrying vehicles and light trucks equipped with a muffler with baffles that are kept in good repair (glass packs are not an approved muffler for wildland work);
- (c) Water pumping equipment used in firefighting

Spark arresters must comply with all State and Federal Fire Requirements.

Lunch and Warming Fires

Cooking and warming fires will not normally be permitted and then only by written permit by the COR which contain stipulations regulating use of such fires.

Hand tools

The Contractor shall furnish one size "0" shovel (38-1/2" handle minimum) or larger, one axe, or Pulaski with 26" handle or larger, and one 5 BC or larger rated pressurized fire extinguisher for each truck, each personal vehicle, each tractor, and each grader. For each welder he shall furnish one size "0" shovel and one backpack pump. For each gasoline power tools (power saw, soil auger, etc.), one shovel (38-1/2" handle minimum) and one 8-ounce or larger BC rated Chemical-pressurized fire extinguisher.

Contractor shall also furnish any other equipment called for elsewhere in the contract. The shovel and fire extinguisher will be located within 10 feet of the operating chainsaw/power auger.

Storage and Parking Areas

Equipment service area, and gas and oil drum storage areas will be cleared of all flammable material for a radius of at least fifty feet. These areas must be approved in writing by the COR in advance of use. Small stationary engine sites shall be cleared of flammable material for a radius of at least fifteen feet from such engine.

Fire Tool Box

A red fire tool box will be required to be on each work site while work is being performed. This fire tool box will contain sufficient tools to equip all persons engaged in Contractor's operation. Fire tools shall be used only for suppressing wildfires. Tools shall be stored in fireboxes provided by the Contractor and readily available to employees. Each tool box shall be marked, "Tools for Fire Only". The COR will inspect the fire tool box and then seal the box.

8.4 Camping and Worksite

Camping and Worksite Plan shall be consistent with requirements set forth in Section 8, the camping permit if required. The Contractor shall provide a general plan with the technical proposal, and shall provide a more specific plan based on items awarded, prior to start work.

All camps and worksites must be clean and orderly, not attract animals, provide suitable sanitary facilities, be fully cleaned at departure, and site occupants shall not be a nuisance to the public using the area.

The Contractor shall obtain a camping permit from the Ashley National Forest prior to camping on Forest Service land. Final payment shall be withheld until the authorized camping area has been cleaned up to the requirements of the Camping Permit. Refer to Section 10, document 04 for a sample permit.

8.5 Permits and Responsibilities

The Contractor shall, without additional expense to the Government, be responsible for obtaining any necessary license and permits, and for complying with any Federal, State, and Municipal Laws, codes, and regulations applicable to the performance of the work. The Contractor shall also be responsible for all damages to persons or property that occurs as a result of the Contractor's fault or negligence. The Contractor shall also be responsible for all materials delivered and work performed until completion and acceptance of the entire work, except for any completed unit of work which may have been accepted under the contract.

8.6 Protection of Existing Vegetation, Structures, Equipment, Utilities, and Improvements

(a) The Contractor shall preserve and protect all structures, equipment, and vegetation (such as trees, shrubs, and grass) on or adjacent to the work site, which are not to be removed and which do not unreasonably interfere with the work required under this contract. The Contractor shall only remove trees when specifically authorized to do so, and shall avoid damaging vegetation that will remain in place. If any limbs or branches of trees are broken during contract performance, or by the careless operation of equipment, or by workmen, the Contractor shall trim those limbs or branches with a clean cut and paint the cut with a tree-pruning compound as directed by the Contracting Officer.

(b) The Contractor shall protect from damage all existing improvements and utilities (1) at or near the work site, and (2) on adjacent property of a third party, the locations of which are made known to or should be known by the Contractor. The Contractor shall repair any damage to those facilities, including those that are the property of a third party, resulting from failure to comply with the requirements of this contract or failure to exercise reasonable care in performing the work. If the Contractor fails or refuses to repair the damage promptly, the Contracting Officer may have the necessary work performed and charge the cost to the Contractor.

8.7 Operations and Storage Areas

(a) The Contractor shall confine all operations (including storage of materials) on Government premises to areas authorized or approved by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall hold and save the Government its officers and agents, free and harmless from liability of any nature occasioned by the Contractor's performance.

(b) Temporary buildings (e.g., storage sheds, shops, offices) and utilities may be erected by the Contractor only with the approval of the Contracting Officer and shall be built with labor and materials furnished by the Contractor without expense to the Government. The temporary buildings and utilities shall remain the property of the Contractor and shall be removed by the Contractor at its expense upon completion of the work. With the written consent of the Contracting Officer, the buildings and utilities may be abandoned and need not be removed.

(c) The Contractor shall, under regulations prescribed by the Contracting Officer, use only established roadways, or use temporary roadways constructed by the Contractor when and as authorized by the Contracting Officer. When materials are transported in prosecuting the work, vehicles shall not be loaded beyond the loading capacity recommended by the manufacturer of the vehicle or prescribed by a Federal, State, or local law or regulation. When it is necessary to cross curbs or sidewalks, the Contractor shall protect them from damage. The Contractor shall repair or pay for the repair of any damaged curbs, sidewalks, or roads.

8.8 Cleaning Up

The Contractor shall at all times keep the work area, including storage areas, free from accumulations of waste materials. Before completing the work, the Contractor shall remove from the work and premises any rubbish, tools, scaffolding, equipment, and materials that are not the property of the Government. Upon completing the work, the Contractor shall leave the work area in a clean, neat, and orderly condition satisfactory to the Contracting Officer.

8.9 Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act (MSPA) (29 U.S.C. 1801-1972)

The Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act and implementing regulations issued by the Department of Labor (29 CFR 500), require any employer who hires or anticipates hiring employees subject to MSPA to obtain an MSPA registration number.

If the Contractor employs or anticipated hiring employees subject to MSPA, the Contractor shall provide a valid U.S. Department of Labor MSPA Registration Number to the Contracting Officer within 10 days after notification of award of the contract.

The Government may demand that the Contractor display MSPA registration at any time during contract performance if it appears that the Contractor is employing workers subject to MSPA. On demand, the Contractor shall display its MSPA registration or state why it is exempt from MSPA.

Compliance with MSPA is a material condition of the contract. If the Contractor fails to provide a valid MSPA number in accordance with this clause, or falsely states that it is exempt from the MSPA, the Government may terminate the contract, in addition to other remedies or penalties prescribed by law.

8.10 Employment of Eligible Workers – FSAR 4G52.222-701 (DEC 1999)

Section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 USC 1324a) makes it unlawful for a n employer to hire undocumented workers. The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has established the Form I-9, Employment eligibility Verification Form, as the document to be used for employment eligibility verification (see 8 CFR 274a).

The Contractor is required to (1) have all employees complete and sign the I-9 Form to certify that they are eligible for employment; (2) examine documents presented by the employee and ensure the documents appear to be genuine and related to the individual; (3) record information about the documents on the form, and complete the certification portion of the form; (4) retain the form for three years, or one year past the end of employment of the individual, whichever is longer.

It is illegal to discriminate against any individual (other than a citizen of another country who is not authorized to work in the United States) in hiring, discharging, or recruiting because of that individual's national origin or citizenship status.

Compliance with Section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C 1324a) is a material condition of the contract. If the Contractor employs unauthorized workers during contract performance in violation of Section 274A, the Government may terminate the contract, in addition to other remedies or penalties prescribed by law.

For further information on the requirements of the Act, Contractors should contact the Employer and Labor Relations Officer of their local INS office.

8.11 FSAR 4G52.222-702 Labor Standards for Contracts Involving Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Workers (DEC 1999)

(a) General. This contract is subject to the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Workers Protection Act (MSPA) (20 U.S.C. 1801-1872) and to Department of Labor regulations implementing MSPA (see 29 CFR 500). The purpose of MSPA is to eliminate activities that are detrimental to migrant and seasonal agricultural workers, to required registration of farm labor Contractors, and to insure necessary protection for the workers. In addition to traditional farm labor activities, the Act applies to predominately manual forestry work including, but not limited to, tree planting, release, pre-commercial thinning, site preparation, and wildland firefighting.

(b) Definition. "Migrant Agricultural Worker" and "Seasonal Agricultural Worker," as used in this clause, means individuals employed in agricultural (including forestry) work on a seasonal or temporary basis. A worker who moves from one seasonal activity to another is employed on a seasonal basis even through the worker may continue to be employed during a major portion fo the year. Migrant workers are required to be absent overnight from their permanent place of residence. Seasonal workers are not required to be absent overnight from their permanent place of residence. Members of the Contractor's immediate family are not considered to either migrant or seasonal workers. "Immediate family" includes only (1) spouse; (2) children, stepchildren, or foster children; (3) parents, stepparents, or foster parents; and (4) brothers and sisters.

"Farm Labor Contractor," as used in this clause, means an individual who, for any money or other valuable consideration, paid or promised to be paid, performs any recruiting, soliciting, hiring, employing, furnishing, or transporting of any migrant or seasonal agricultural worker.

(c)Registration Requirement. Any Contractor who provides or hires migrant or seasonal workers to perform agricultural or manual forestry work shall first obtain a Certificate of Registration from the Department of Labor or an authorized State Agency. The Contractor shall carry the Certificate at all times while engaged in contract performance, and shall display it upon request. Any of the Contractor's employees who perform any one or more of the activities defined for a "Farm Labor Contractor" in paragraph (b) must have their own Farm Labor Contractor Employee Certificate.

(d)Worker Protections. The Contractor shall comply with the following protections and standards related to wage disclosure, record keeping, vehicle safety, and housing:

(1) The Contractor shall display and maintain at the place of employment the MSPA poster provided by the Department of labor.

(2) Wage and Payroll Standards

(i) The Contractor shall disclose in writing to each worker in a language common to the worker the full terms of their employment, including workers' compensation information, at the time

they are recruited or hired. The Department of Labor provides an Option Form WH-516 for Contractor's use in disclosure.

(II) the Contractor must keep the following payroll records for each employee: name, address, social security number, basis for wages (that is, per hour, per tree, per acre), number of units earned if paid on a per unit basis, hours worked, total pay, withholdings and purpose for each, and net pay. Payroll records shall be retained for 3 years.

(iii) Payments must be made no less frequently than every 2 weeks of semi-monthly. At the time of each payment, the Contractor shall provide to the employee a written itemization of the information listed in paragraph (ii) and shall include the employer's tax identification number.

(iv) If paid on a piece rate basis, the employee's wage must be at least equivalent to the required hourly wage for the hours worked, including overtime differential for time in excess of 40 hours per week.

(3) Motor Vehicle Safety

(i) The Contractor must be registered to transport employees, unless employees provide their own transportation or carpool by their own arrangement in one of their own vehicles. The authorization to transport employees must appear on the Contractor's certificate. If the Contractor directs or requests employees to carpool, the registration requirement is still applicable. Any driver who transports workers for a fee or at the direction of the Contractor must be registered as a farm labor contractor or a farm labor contractor employee.

(ii) Any vehicle under the ownership or control of the Contractor shall comply with safety standards applicable to that vehicle. Generally, passenger vehicles or station wagons must comply with Department of Labor regulations at 29 CFR 500.104. Vehicles other than passenger vehicles or station wagons which are driven more than 75 miles must comply with Department of Transportation Regulations at 29 CFR 500.105. All drivers must have a current valid State driver's license.

(iii) Each vehicle under the ownership or control of the Contractor that is used to transport any migrant or seasonal agricultural worker shall be covered by vehicle insurance of \$100,000 per seat (maximum \$5,000,000). A workers' compensation policy that covers the workers while being transported plus an additional property damage policy for \$50,000 for loss or damage in any one accident to the property of others may be substituted for the vehicle insurance requirement.

(4) Housing

(i) The Contractor shall house workers only in a commercial establishment or a facility that has been certified by a health authority or other appropriate agency. The Contractor must post the certificate of occupancy at the housing site.

(ii) The authorization to furnish housing, other than commercial lodging, must appear on the Contractor's certificate.

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(iii) If the Contractor is not furnishing worker housing:

Workers on this contract may obtain housing only in a residential accommodation, including a commercial establishment such as a hotel or motel, which meets all applicable state and federal standards for employee housing.

Within 10 days after award and prior to the issuance of Notice to Proceed, the Contractor must notify the Contracting Officer of the planned worker housing site.

If the housing site is located on a National Forest, the Contractor must obtain a permit from the District Ranger for the District on which the housing site is located and the facilities established

for the workers must meet the applicable U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) MSPA standards for such sites.

If the housing site is not located on a National Forest, the site must meet the applicable housing standards in MSPA.

If the exemption from the permit requirement is claimed, the Contractor must provide a written statement identifying the law authorizing the exemption, stating the facts constituting an exemption under that law, and identifying a USDOL employee or official who stated or concurred that the accommodations were exempt, citing name, date, and means of communication.

If the housing site is changed after approval by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor must provide a new permit or exemption statement. The above requirements are material conditions of this contract. If the Contractor fails to comply, the Government may terminate the contract. In addition, other remedies or penalties prescribed by law may apply.

Field Sanitation

In accordance with U.S. Department of Labor Fact Sheet No. ESA 97-28 "Field Sanitation Standards" (Ref. 29 CFR 1928.110), employers must provide:

- Potable drinking water, suitably cool and in sufficient amounts, dispensed in single-use cups or by fountains, located so as to be readily accessible to employees.
- Facilities maintained in accordance with public health sanitation practices include upkeep or water quality through daily change or more often if necessary.
- Notification to each employee of the location of the water and allowance of reasonable opportunities during the workday to use them. The employer also must inform the employee of the relevant health hazards in the field and the practices necessary to minimize them.

Employees cannot be made to bear the costs incurred by the employer for providing required facilities.

(d) For further information on the requirements of the Act, Contractors should contact their local Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor.

8.12 FSAR 4G52.222-703 Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act Registration – FSAR (DEC 1999)

The Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural worker Protection Act (MSPA) (29 USC 1801-1872) and implementing regulations issued by the Department of Labor (29 CFR 500), require any employer who hires or anticipates hiring employees subject to MSPA to obtain an MSPA registration number.

If the Contractor employs or anticipates hiring employees subject to MSPA, the Contractor shall provide a valid U.S. Department of Labor MSPA Registration Number to the Contracting Officer within 10 days after notification of award of the contract.

The Government may demand that the Contractor display MSPA registration at any time during contract performance if it appears that the Contractor is employing workers subject to MSPA. On demand, the Contractor shall display its MSPA registration or state why it is exempt from MSPA.

Compliance with MSPA is a material condition of the contract. If the Contractor fails to provide a valid MSPA number in accordance with this clause, or falsely states that it is exempt from the MSPA, the Government may terminate the contract, in addition to other remedies or penalties prescribed by law.

8.13 Camping Provisions for labor Intensive Contracts

The following provisions apply to all camping on National Forest lands during performance of this contract:

1. These provisions are in addition to those contained in, or provided for, in the clause titled "Use of Premises", in this contract.
2. Every structure used as shelter shall provide protection from the elements. Where heat adequate for weather conditions is not provided, other arrangements should be made to protect workers from the cold. Firewood may be cut only after obtaining a District Firewood Permit.
3. The campsite will not encroach beyond the boundaries designated by the Forest Service. The campsite shall be located so as to minimize impacts on streams, lakes, and other bodies of water. No camping shall be permitted within developed recreation sites or along primary recreation roads.
4. The campsite shall have a clean appearance at all times.
5. Upon abandonment of any campsite, or termination, revocation, or cancellation of camping privileges, the Contractor shall remove, within 10 calendar days, all structures and improvements except those owned by the United States, and shall restore the site, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing or in the camping permit. If the Contractor fails to remove all structures or improvements within the 10 calendar days, they shall become the property of the United States, but that will not relieve the Contractor of liability for the cost of their removal and restoration for the site.
6. Unless otherwise designated by the Contracting Officer, the use of this area is not exclusive, and may be granted to other permittees, contractors, or recreating public. Disorderly conduct is not permitted.
7. Damaging or removing any natural feature or other property of the Forest Service is prohibited.
8. Servicing of equipment in the campsite is not permitted, unless the campsite is within the project area.
9. Sanitary facilities shall be provided for storing food. Ice chests or coolers, with ice supply made from potable water and replenished as necessary, shall be provided and sufficient for the storage of perishable food items.
10. An adequate and convenient potable water supply shall be provided in each camp for drinking and cooking purposes.
11. Toilet facilities adequate for the capacity of the camp shall be provided and supplied with adequate toilet paper. Such facilities shall be serviced and maintained in a sanitary condition.
12. Garbage shall be collected, stored, and disposed of in such a manner as to prevent scattering by the wind, minimize attraction of flies, and discourage access by rodents.
13. Basic first aid supplies shall be maintained, available and under the charge of a person trained to administer first aid. The supplies shall include:

a. Gauze pads (at least 4x4 inches)	f. Scissors
b. Two large gauze pads (at least 8x10")	g. At least one blanket
c. Box adhesive bandages (band-aids)	h. Tweezers
d. One package of gauze roller bandage at least 2" wide	i. Adhesive tape
e. Two triangular bandages	j. Latex gloves
	k. Resuscitation device such as a resuscitation bag, airway, or pocket mask

14. Any washing of laundry shall be done in such a way as to provide for washing and rinsing without polluting lakes, streams, or other flowing water.
15. Waste water must be disposed of away from living and eating areas and in a fashion that minimizes pollution to lakes, streams, and other flowing water.
16. The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent and suppress forest fires. No material shall be disposed of by burning in open fires during the closed season established by law or regulation without the written permission from the Forest Service.
17. The Contractor shall comply with the following fire regulations during fire seasons:
 - a. A shovel, axe, or Pulaski, 10 quart pail which is full of water for immediate use and a fire extinguisher with an Underwriters laboratory (UL) rating of at least 1:A 10:BC is required during the fire season.
 - b. All fire rings or outside fireplaces will be approved by the Forest Service representative. The area will be cleared down to mineral soil for a distance of 1 foot outside of the ring or fireplace and it will not have any overhanging material. Fire rings will be dismantled and materials disposed prior to leaving the site.
 - c. All generators and other internal combustion engines will be equipped with USFS approved spark arrestors and/or factory designed muffler and exhaust system in good working order. They will be located in a cleared area with the same requirements as in (b).
 - d. All fuel will be stored in UL approved flammable storage containers and be located at least 50 feet from any open flame or other source of ignition.
18. Any violation of these conditions constitutes a breach of contract, and may result in revocation of camping approval.
19. The Forest Service reserves the right to terminate a camping permit at any time.

8.14 Personal Protective Equipment

The Contractor will train in the safe operation and use of equipment to all workers using such equipment.

1. Personal protective equipment including personal protective equipment for eyes, face, head, and extremities shall be provided, used, and maintained in a sanitary and reliable condition wherever it is necessary by reason of hazards or processes encountered in a manner capable of causing injury or impairment in the function of any part of the body.
2. Defective or damaged personal protective equipment shall not be used.
3. The Contractor shall provide, at no cost to the employee, to each employee who operates a chain saw, chain saw chaps, and assure the chaps are worn during saw operations. These chaps must be approved by Underwriters Laboratory or meet Forest Service Specification 6170-47. The chaps shall cover the full length of the thigh to the top of the boot on each leg.
4. The Contractor shall assure that each employee wears foot protection that provides adequate traction and ankle support. Employees operating chain saws shall wear foot protection that is constructed with cut-resistant materials which will protect the employee against contact with a running chain saw.
5. The Contractor shall provide, at no cost to the employee, and assure that each employee who works in an area where there is potential for head injury from falling objects or flying objects wears a hard hat that meets the minimum requirements of American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Standard Z89.1-1997.
6. The Contractor shall provide, at no cost to the employee, hearing protection where there is a potential for hearing loss due to high intensity noise e.g., chain saw operation.

SECTION 9--CONTRACT CLAUSES

9.1 FAR 52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

www.acquisition.gov/far/

www.usda.gov/procurement/

9.2 FAR 52.212-4 -- Contract Terms and Conditions -- Commercial Items. (Sep 2013)

(a) *Inspection/Acceptance.* The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. If repair/replacement or reperformance will not correct the defects or is not possible, the government may seek an equitable price reduction or adequate consideration for acceptance of nonconforming supplies or services. The Government must exercise its post-acceptance rights --

(1) Within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and

(2) Before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

(b) *Assignment.* The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C.3727). However, when a third party makes payment (*e.g.*, use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.

(c) *Changes.* Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.

(d) *Disputes.* This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(e) *Definitions.* The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference.

(f) *Excusable delays.* The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.

(g) *Invoice.*

(1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include --

(i) Name and address of the Contractor;

(ii) Invoice date and number;

(iii) Contract number, contract line item number and, if applicable, the order number;

(iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;

(v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;

(vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;

(vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;

(viii) Name, title, and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and

(ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.

(x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.

(A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.

(B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (*e.g.*, 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer— System for Award Management, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other Than System for Award Management), or applicable agency procedures.

(C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.

(2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(h) *Patent indemnity.* The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) *Payment.*

(1) Items accepted. Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.

(2) Prompt Payment. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315.

(3) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause.

(4) *Discount*. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(5) *Overpayments*. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall—

(i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the—

(A) Circumstances of the overpayment (*e.g.*, duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);

(B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;

(C) Affected contract line item or subline item, if applicable; and

(D) Contractor point of contact.

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(6) Interest.

(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in Section 611 of the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-563), which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in (i)(6)(v) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period at fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) Final decisions. The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision as required by 33.211 if—

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt within 30 days;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer (see 32.607-2).

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on—

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in 32.608-2 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation in effect on the date of this contract.

(j) *Risk of loss.* Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:

(1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or

(2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) *Taxes.* The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.

(l) *Termination for the Government's convenience.* The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) *Termination for cause.* The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) *Title.* Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) *Warranty.* The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) *Limitation of liability.* Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) *Other compliances.* The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.

(r) *Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts.* The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 3701, *et seq.*, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986; 41 U.S.C. 4712 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.

(s) *Order of precedence.* Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- (1) The schedule of supplies/services.
 - (2) The Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts, and Unauthorized Obligations paragraphs of this clause.
 - (3) The clause at 52.212-5.
 - (4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software.
 - (5) Solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation.
 - (6) Other paragraphs of this clause.
 - (7) The Standard Form 1449.
 - (8) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments.
 - (9) The specification.
- (t) System for Award Management (SAM).

(1) Unless exempted by an addendum to this contract, the Contractor is responsible during performance and through final payment of any contract for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the SAM database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the SAM database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates its information in the SAM database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the SAM does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.

(2)

(i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, "doing business as" name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in Subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to:

(A) Change the name in the SAM database;

(B) Comply with the requirements of Subpart 42.12 of the FAR;

(C) Agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor must provide with the notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.

(ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (t)(2)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (t)(2)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the SAM information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.

(3) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the SAM record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see FAR Subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the SAM database. Information provided to the Contractor's SAM record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.

(4) Offerors and Contractors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via SAM accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

(u) Unauthorized Obligations.

(1) Except as stated in paragraph (u)(2) of this clause, when any supply or service acquired under this contract is subject to any End Use License Agreement (EULA), Terms of Service (TOS), or similar legal instrument or agreement, that includes any clause requiring the Government to indemnify the Contractor or any person or entity for damages, costs, fees, or any other loss or liability that would create an Anti-Deficiency Act violation (31 U.S.C. 1341), the following shall govern:

(i) Any such clause is unenforceable against the Government.

(ii) Neither the Government nor any Government authorized end user shall be deemed to have agreed to such clause by virtue of it appearing in the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement. If the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement is invoked through an “I agree” click box or other comparable mechanism (e.g., “click-wrap” or “browse-wrap” agreements), execution does not bind the Government or any Government authorized end user to such clause.

(iii) Any such clause is deemed to be stricken from the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement.

(2) Paragraph (u)(1) of this clause does not apply to indemnification by the Government that is expressly authorized by statute and specifically authorized under applicable agency regulations and procedures.

(End of Clause)

9.3 52.212-5 -- Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders -- Commercial Items (Jan 2014)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

(1) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (FEB 2009) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).

____ Alternate I (AUG 2007) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).

(2) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(3) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78).

(b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the contracting officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

____ (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Sept 2006), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 253g and 10 U.S.C. 2402).

____ (2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (Pub. L. 110-252, Title VI, Chapter 1 (41 U.S.C. 251 note)).

____ (3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub L. 111-5) (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009).

____ (4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Jul 2013) (Pub. L. 109-282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

____ (5) 52.204-11, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act—Reporting Requirements (Jul 2010) (Pub. L. 111-5).

___ (6) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (Jan 2014) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).

___ (7) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (Jan 2014) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).

x (8) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment (Aug 2013) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

___ (9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Jul 2013) (41 U.S.C. 2313).

x (10) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (May 2012) (section 738 of Division C of Public Law 112-74, section 740 of Division C of Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Division D of Pub. L. 111-8, and section 745 of Division D of Pub. L. 110-161).

___ (11) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

___ (12) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Jan 2011) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer)(15 U.S.C. 657a).

___ (13) [Reserved]

x (14) (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Aside (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2011).

___ (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2011).

___ (15) (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (June 2003) (15 U.S.C. 644).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 1995) of 52.219-7.

___ (iii) Alternate II (Mar 2004) of 52.219-7.

___ (16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).

___ (17) (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.

___ (iii) Alternate II (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.

- ___ (iv) Alternate III (July 2010) of 52.219-9.
- ___ (18) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
- ___ (19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).
- ___ (20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (Jan 1999) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
- ___ (21) (i) 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (Oct 2008) (10 U.S.C. 2323) (if the offeror elects to waive the adjustment, it shall so indicate in its offer).
- ___ (ii) Alternate I (June 2003) of 52.219-23.
- ___ (22) 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Disadvantaged Status and Reporting (Jul 2013) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).
- ___ (23) 52.219-26, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Incentive Subcontracting (Oct 2000) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).
- ___ (24) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
- ___ (25) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).
- ___ (26) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB) Concerns (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- ___ (27) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Concerns Eligible Under the WOSB Program (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- _x_ (28) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).
- _x_ (29) 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Jan 2014) (E.O. 13126).
- _x_ (30) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Feb 1999).
- _x_ (31) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- _x_ (32) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Sep 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- _x_ (33) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Oct 2010) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- ___ (34) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Sep 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

x (35) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).

x (36) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Aug 2013). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in 22.1803.)

___ (37) (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Items (May 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

___ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

___ (38) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (Dec 2007) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).

___ (39) (i) 52.223-16, IEEE 1680 Standard for the Environmental Assessment of Personal Computer Products (Dec 2007) (E.O. 13423).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Dec 2007) of 52.223-16.

x (40) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging while Driving (Aug 2011).

___ (41) 52.225-1, Buy American Act--Supplies (Feb 2009) (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d).

x (42) (i) 52.225-3, Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act (Nov 2012) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.C. 4001 note, Pub. L. 103-182, Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2012) of 52.225-3.

___ (iii) Alternate II (Mar 2012) of 52.225-3.

___ (iv) Alternate III (Nov 2012) of 52.225-3.

___ (43) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (Nov 2013) (19 U.S.C. 2501, *et seq.*, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).

___ (44) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (Jun 2008) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).

___ (45) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Jul 2013) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2303 Note).

___ (46) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

___ (47) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

___ (48) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (41 U.S.C. 255(f), 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

___ (49) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 255(f), 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

x (50) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer— System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

___ (51) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other Than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

___ (52) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

___ (53) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

___ (54) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of 52.247-64.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

x (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965 (Nov 2007) (41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*).

x (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 1989) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*).

___ (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act -- Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Sep 2009) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*).

___ (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act -- Price Adjustment (Sep 2009) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*).

___ (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment--Requirements (Nov 2007) (41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*).

___ (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services--Requirements (Feb 2009) (41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*).

___ (7) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (Jan 2013) (E.O. 13495).

___ (8) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations. (Mar 2009) (Pub. L. 110-247).

___ (9) 52.237-11, Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin (Sep 2008) (31 U.S.C. 5112(p)(1)).

(d) *Comptroller General Examination of Record* The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records -- Negotiation.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e)

(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause—

(i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (Pub. L. 110-252, Title VI, Chapter 1 (41 U.S.C. 251 note)).

(ii) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$650,000 (\$1.5 million for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(iii) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (Jan 2013) (E.O. 13495). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (1) of FAR clause 52.222-17.

- (iv) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- (v) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Sep 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (vi) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Oct 2010) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (vii) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.
- (viii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965, (Nov 2007), (41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*)
- (ix) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).
- ___ Alternate I (Aug 2007) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)).
- (x) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment--Requirements (Nov 2007) (41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*)
- (xi) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services--Requirements (Feb 2009) (41 U.S.C. 351, *et seq.*)
- (xii) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Aug 2013).
- (xiii) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Jul 2013) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).
- (xiv) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations. (Mar 2009) (Pub. L. 110-247). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.
- (xv) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately-Owned U.S. Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.

(2) While not required, the contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations. (End of Clause)

9.4 FAR 52.222-42 -- Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 1989)

In compliance with the Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended, and the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (29 CFR Part 4), this clause identifies the classes of service employees expected to be employed under the contract and states the wages and fringe benefits payable to each if they were employed by the contracting agency subject to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 5341 or 5332.

*This Statement is for Information Only:
It is not a Wage Determination*

Employee Class	Monetary Wage -- Fringe Benefits
GS 4	\$13.41
GS 5	\$15.00

(End of Clause)

9.5 FAR 52.246-20 -- Warranty of Services (May 2001)

(a) Definitions.

“Acceptance,” as used in this clause, means the act of an authorized representative of the Government by which the Government assumes for itself, or as an agent of another, ownership of existing and identified supplies, or approves specific services, as partial or complete performance of the contract.

(b) Notwithstanding inspection and acceptance by the Government or any provision concerning the conclusiveness thereof, the Contractor warrants that all services performed under this contract will, at the time of acceptance, be free from defects in workmanship and conform to the requirements of this contract. The Contracting Officer shall give written notice of any defect or nonconformance to the Contractor 24 hours. This notice shall state either --

(1) That the Contractor shall correct or reperform any defective or nonconforming services; or

(2) That the Government does not require correction or reperformance.

(c) If the Contractor is required to correct or reperform, it shall be at no cost to the Government, and any services corrected or reperformed by the Contractor shall be subject to this clause to the same extent as work initially performed. If the Contractor fails or refuses to correct or reperform, the Contracting Officer may, by contract or otherwise, correct or replace with similar services and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned to the Government thereby, or make an equitable adjustment in the contract price.

(d) If the Government does not require correction or reperformance, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price.

(End of Clause)

9.6 AGAR 452.236-72 Use of Premises (NOV 1996)

(a) Before any camp, quarry, borrow pit, storage, detour, or bypass site, other than shown on the drawings, is opened or operated on USDA land or lands administered by the USDA, the Contractor shall obtain written permission from the Contracting Officer. A camp is interpreted to include a campsite or trailer parking area of any employee working on the project for the Contractor.

(b) Unless excepted elsewhere in the contract, the Contractor shall (i) provide and maintain sanitation facilities for the work force at the site and (ii) dispose of solid waste in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local regulations.

(end of clause)

9.7 AGAR 452.236-74 Control of Erosion, Sedimentation, and Pollution (NOV 1996)

(a) Operations shall be scheduled and conducted to minimize erosion of soils and to prevent silting and muddying of streams, rivers, irrigation systems, and impoundments (lakes, reservoirs, etc.).

(b) Pollutants such as fuels, lubricants, bitumens, raw sewage, and other harmful materials shall not be discharged on the ground; into or nearby rivers, streams, or impoundments; or into natural or man-made channels. Wash water or waste from concrete or aggregate operations shall not be allowed to enter live streams prior to treatment by filtration, settling, or other means sufficient to reduce the sediment content to not more than that of the stream into which it is discharged.

(c) Mechanized equipment shall not be operated in flowing streams without written approval by the Contracting Officer.

(end of clause)

9.8 AGAR 452.209.71 Assurance Regarding Felony Conviction or Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants

(a) This award is subject to the provisions contained in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012, P.L. No. 112-55, Division A, Sections 738 and 739 regarding corporate felony convictions and corporate federal tax delinquencies. Accordingly, by accepting this award the contractor acknowledges that it –

- (1) does not have a tax delinquency, meaning that it is not subject to any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collection the tax liability, and
- (2) has not been convicted (or had an officer or agent acting on its behalf convicted) of a felony criminal violation under any Federal or State law within 24 months preceding the award, unless a suspending and debarment official of the United States Department of Agriculture has considered suspension or debarment of the awardee, or such officer or agent, based on these convictions and/or tax delinquencies and determined that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(b) If the awardee fails to comply with these provisions, **Forest Service** may terminate this contract for default and may recover any funds the awardee has received in violation of sections 738 or 739.

(end of clause)

Alternate 1 (FEB 2012) Assurance Regarding Felony Conviction or Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants

(a) This award is subject to the provisions contained in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (P.L. No. 112-74), Division E, Sections 433 and 434 regarding corporate felony convictions and corporate federal tax delinquencies. Accordingly, by accepting this award the contractor acknowledges that it –

- (1) Does not have a tax delinquency, meaning that it is not subject to any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collection the tax liability, and

- (2) Has not been convicted (or had an officer or agent acting on its behalf convicted) of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within 24 months preceding the award, unless a suspending and debarring official of the United States Department of Agriculture has considered suspension or debarment of the awardee, or such officer or agent, based on these convictions and/or tax delinquencies and determined that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.
- (b) If the awardee fails to comply with these provisions, the **Forest Service** may terminate this contract for default and may recover any funds the awardee has received in violation of sections 433 or 434.

(end of clause)

SECTION 10 – LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

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SECTION 10
Document 01 Experience Questionnaire

USDA Forest Service <p style="text-align: center;"><u>EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE</u></p> Instructions: See Box 11, Remarks, if extra space is needed to answer any item below, Mark "X: in appropriate boxes.		1. Contractor Name, Address, and Telephone Number	
2. Submitted to (Office Name and Address)	3. Business <input type="checkbox"/> Company <input type="checkbox"/> Co-partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit Organization	4. How many years do you or your firm have in the line of work contemplated by this solicitation?	
5. How many years experience have you or your business had as a (a) prime contractor ____ and/or (b) sub-contractor ____?			

6. List below the projects your business has completed within the last three years:

Contract Amount	Type of Project	Date Completed	Name, Address, and Telephone No. of Owner/Person to Contact for Project Information

7. List below all of your firm's contractual commitments running concurrently with the work contemplated by this solicitation:

Contract Number	Dollar Amt. of Award	Name, Address, and Telephone No. of Business/Government Agency Involved	Awarded (Units)	Percent Completed	Date Contract Complete

- 8a. Have you ever failed to complete any work awarded to you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 8b. Has work ever been completed by performance bond? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 8c. Did you look at the project site(s) on-the-ground? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 8d. If "Yes" to either item 8a. or 8b., specify location(s) and reason(s) why:

EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE CONTINUED

9. Employees and equipment that will be available for this project:

a. (1) Minimum number of employees: _____ and (2) Maximum number of employees: _____

b. Are employees regularly on your payroll: ☐ Yes ☐ No

c. Specify equipment available for this contract: _____

d. Estimate rate of progress below (such as 2.0 acres/man/day):

(1) Minimum progress rate: _____ and (2) Maximum progress rate: _____

10. List below the experience of the principal individuals of your business. (Who will directly be involved in this contract?)

Individual's Name	Present Position	Years of Experience	Magnitude and Type of Work

11. Remarks -- Specify Box Numbers (Attach sheets if extra space is needed to fully answer any above question.):

NOTE: PLEASE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WILL HELP EVALUATE YOUR ABILITY TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THIS PROJECT.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all of the statements made by me are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that any persons named as references are authorized to furnish the Forest Service with any information needed to verify my capability to perform this project.

12a. CERTIFYING OFFICIAL'S NAME AND TITLE

b. SIGNATURE (Sign in ink)

13. DATE

SECTION 10
Document 02 AGAR Advisory 104 A

AGAR 452.209-70 Representation by Corporations Regarding an Unpaid Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction (Deviation 2012-01) (FEB 2012)

(Contractor is required to fill out this form and return with any quote submitted for this solicitation)

Alternate 1 (Feb 2012). The Contracting Officer shall use this alternate for all **Forest Service** solicitations above the micro-purchase threshold:

(a.) Awards made under this solicitation are subject to the provisions contained in section 433 and 434 in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (P.L. No. 112-74), Division E, as amended and/or subsequently enacted, regarding corporate felony convictions and corporate federal tax delinquencies. To comply with these provisions, all offerors must complete paragraph (1) of this representation, and all corporate offerors also must complete paragraphs (2) and (3) of this representation.

(b) The Offeror represents that –

- (1) The Offeror is [], is not [] (*check one*) an entity that has filed articles of incorporation in one of the fifty states, the District of Columbia, or the various territories of the United States including American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Midway Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands. (Note that this includes both for-profit and non-profit organizations.)

If the Offeror checked “is” above, the Offeror must complete paragraphs (2) and (3) of the representation. If Offeror checked “is not” above, Offeror may leave the remainder of the representation blank.

- (2) (i) The Offeror has [], has not [] (*check one*) been convicted of a felony criminal violation under Federal or State law in the 24 months preceding the date of offer.

(ii) Offeror has [], has not [] (*check one*) had any officer or agent of Offeror convicted of a felony criminal violation for actions taken on behalf of Offeror under Federal law in the 24 months preceding the date of offer.

- (3) The Offeror does [], does not [] (*check one*) have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

Name of Company: _____

Name of Company Representative: _____

Signature of Representative: _____

Date: _____

Document 03 Wage Determination

*****THIS WAGE DETERMINATION WAS REPLACED 08/27/2013*****

WD 77-0030 (Rev.-38) was first posted on www.wdol.gov on 06/25/2013

Forestry and Land Management Services

REGISTER OF WAGE DETERMINATIONS UNDER		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
THE SERVICE CONTRACT ACT		EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS
ADMINISTRATION		

By direction of the Secretary of Labor		WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
		WASHINGTON, D.C. 20210

Diane C. Koplewski	Division of Wage		Wage Determination No: 1977-0030
Director	Determinations		Revision No: 38
			Date Of Revision: 06/19/2013

State: Utah

Area: Utah Statewide

****Fringe Benefits Required Follow the Occupational Listing****

Employed on service contracts for forestry, land management, the cleaning of public use areas and timber inventory services.

OCCUPATION CODE - TITLE	FOOTNOTE	RATE
08010 - Brush/Precommercial Thinner		11.96
08040 - Choker Setter		14.33
08070 - Faller/Bucker		14.91
08100 - Fire Lookout		11.96
08160 - Forestry/Logging Heavy Equipment Operator		18.24
08190 - Forestry Technician		18.24
08200 - Forestry Truck Driver		18.24
08250 - General Forestry Laborer		13.01
08280 - Nursery Specialist		16.60
08310 - Slash Piler/Burner		11.96
08340 - Tree Climber		13.38
08370 - Tree Planter		9.76
08400 - Tree Planter, Mechanical		9.76

ALL OCCUPATIONS LISTED ABOVE RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:

HEALTH & WELFARE: \$3.81 per hour or \$152.40 per week or \$660.40 per month

VACATION: 2 weeks paid vacation after 1 year of service with a contractor or successor; 3 weeks after 5 years, and 4 weeks after 15 years. Length of service includes the whole span of continuous service with the present contractor or successor, wherever employed, and with the predecessor contractors in the performance of similar work at the same Federal facility. (Reg. 29 CFR 4.173)

HOLIDAYS: A minimum of ten paid holidays per year, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day,

Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. (A contractor may substitute for any of the named holidays another day off with pay in accordance with a plan communicated to the employees involved.) (See 29 CFR 4174)

**** UNIFORM ALLOWANCE ****

If employees are required to wear uniforms in the performance of this contract (either by the terms of the Government contract, by the employer, by the state or local law, etc.), the cost of furnishing such uniforms and maintaining (by laundering or dry cleaning) such uniforms is an expense that may not be borne by an employee where such cost reduces the hourly rate below that required by the wage determination. The Department of Labor will accept payment in accordance with the following standards as compliance:

The contractor or subcontractor is required to furnish all employees with an adequate number of uniforms without cost or to reimburse employees for the actual cost of the uniforms. In addition, where uniform cleaning and maintenance is made the responsibility of the employee, all contractors and subcontractors subject to this wage determination shall (in the absence of a bona fide collective bargaining agreement providing for a different amount, or the furnishing of contrary affirmative proof as to the actual cost), reimburse all employees for such cleaning and maintenance at a rate of \$3.35 per week (or \$.67 cents per day). However, in those instances where the uniforms furnished are made of "wash and wear" materials, may be routinely washed and dried with other personal garments, and do not require any special treatment such as dry cleaning, daily washing, or commercial laundering in order to meet the cleanliness or appearance standards set by the terms of the Government contract, by the contractor, by law, or by the nature of the work, there is no requirement that employees be reimbursed for uniform maintenance costs.

**** NOTES APPLYING TO THIS WAGE DETERMINATION ****

Under the policy and guidance contained in All Agency Memorandum No. 159, the Wage and Hour Division does not recognize, for section 4(c) purposes, prospective wage rates and fringe benefit provisions that are effective only upon such contingencies as "approval of Wage and Hour, issuance of a wage determination, incorporation of the wage determination in the contract, adjusting the contract price, etc." (The relevant CBA section) in the collective bargaining agreement between (the parties) contains contingency language that Wage and Hour does not recognize as reflecting "arm's length negotiation" under section 4(c) of the Act and 29 C.F.R. 5.11(a) of the regulations. This wage determination therefore reflects the actual CBA wage rates and fringe benefits paid under the predecessor contract.

The duties of employees under job titles listed are those described in the "Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations", Fifth Edition, April 2006, unless otherwise indicated. Copies of the Directory are available on the Internet. A links to the Directory may be found on the WHD home page at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/> or through the Wage Determinations On-Line (WDOL) Web site at <http://wdol.gov/>.

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION AND WAGE RATE {Standard Form 1444 (SF 1444)}

Conformance Process:

The contracting officer shall require that any class of service employee which is not listed herein and which is to be employed under the contract (i.e., the work to be performed is not performed by any classification listed in the wage determination), be classified by the contractor so as to provide a reasonable relationship (i.e., appropriate level of skill comparison) between such unlisted classifications and the classifications listed in the wage determination. Such conformed classes of employees shall be paid the monetary wages and furnished the fringe benefits as are determined. Such conforming process shall be initiated by the contractor prior to the performance of contract work by such unlisted class(es) of employees. The conformed classification, wage rate, and/or fringe

benefits shall be retroactive to the commencement date of the contract. {See Section 4.6 (C)(vi)} When multiple wage determinations are included in a contract, a separate SF 1444 should be prepared for each wage determination to which a class(es) is to be conformed.

The process for preparing a conformance request is as follows:

- 1) When preparing the bid, the contractor identifies the need for a conformed occupation(s) and computes a proposed rate(s).
- 2) After contract award, the contractor prepares a written report listing in order proposed classification title(s), a Federal grade equivalency (FGE) for each proposed classification(s), job description(s), and rationale for proposed wage rate(s), including information regarding the agreement or disagreement of the authorized representative of the employees involved, or where there is no authorized representative, the employees themselves. This report should be submitted to the contracting officer no later than 30 days after such unlisted class(es) of employees performs any contract work.
- 3) The contracting officer reviews the proposed action and promptly submits a report of the action, together with the agency's recommendations and pertinent information including the position of the contractor and the employees, to the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, for review. (See section 4.6(b)(2) of Regulations 29 CFR Part 4).
- 4) Within 30 days of receipt, the Wage and Hour Division approves, modifies, or disapproves the action via transmittal to the agency contracting officer, or notifies the contracting officer that additional time will be required to process the request.
- 5) The contracting officer transmits the Wage and Hour decision to the contractor.
- 6) The contractor informs the affected employees.

Information required by the Regulations must be submitted on SF 1444 or bond paper.

When preparing a conformance request, the "Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations" (the Directory) should be used to compare job definitions to insure that duties requested are not performed by a classification already listed in the wage determination. Remember, it is not the job title, but the required tasks that determine whether a class is included in an established wage determination. Conformances may not be used to artificially split, combine, or subdivide classifications listed in the wage determination.

Section 10 -- Document 04 Contractor Camping Permit

USDA-FS NATIONAL FOREST

CONTRACTOR CAMPING PERMIT - SAMPLE

* _____ Ranger District

This permit is revocable and non-transferable.

This permit is issued pursuant to the provisions of the * ,

Contract number * _____.

Permission is hereby granted to _____, of * _____, hereinafter called the permittee, to camp, subject to the conditions set out below, on the following

National Forest lands: _____. See attached map.

1. Occupancy and use under this permit shall begin * _____ (Date).
2. The permittee shall maintain all improvements and premises to standards of repair, orderliness, neatness, sanitation, and safety acceptable to the forest officer in charge.
3. The permittee shall provide sanitary facilities to accommodate all camp refuse, toilet requirements, and equipment servicing refuse. The debris shall be disposed of on a timely schedule by the permittee in an approved county or municipal garbage dump off National Forest lands.
4. Unless otherwise agreed, no camping shall be permitted within developed recreation sites or along primary recreation roads.
5. No camping will be permitted within 100 feet of live streams.
6. The permittee, in exercising the privileges granted by this permit, shall comply with the regulations of the Department of Agriculture and all Federal, State, county, and municipal laws, ordinances, or regulations which are applicable to the area or operations covered by this permit.
7. The permittee shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent and suppress forest fires. No material shall be disposed of by burning in open fires during the closed season established by law or regulation without a written permit from the forest officer in charge or his authorized agent.
8. Upon abandonment, termination, revocation, or cancellation of this permit, the permittee shall remove within a reasonable time all structures and improvements except those owned by the United States, and shall restore the site, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing or in this permit. If the permittee fails to remove all structures or improvements within a reasonable period, they shall become the property of the United States, but that will not relieve the permittee of liability for the cost of their removal and restoration of the site.
9. This permit shall terminate on _____, unless extended in writing by the Forest Service. It may be terminated upon breach of any condition herein or at the discretion of the forest officer in charge.
10. This permit is accepted subject to the conditions set forth above and to conditions N/A to * _____, attached hereto and made a part of this permit.

Signature of Officer Issuing Permit: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____

(I) (We) have read the foregoing permit and agree to accept and abide by its terms and conditions.

Signature of Permittee: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____

**Section 11 - REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND PROVISIONS FOR
SERVICES & SUPPLIES**

The following representations, certifications, and provisions are added. Quoters must complete these representations and/or certifications as a part of their quote. The terms bid or bidders and offer or offeror as they appear in the following clauses shall be construed to mean quote or quoter as appropriate.

IMPORTANT PAYMENT INFORMATION - The U.S. Treasury Dept. may soon require all Federal Agencies to pay by Electronic Funds Transfer. To set up the Electronic Funds Transfer contact NFC at 1-800-421-0323, ext. 4647 or internet web site at <http://www.nfc.usda.gov/dcia/index.html>. Failure to submit your EFT information promptly could result in delayed payment.

CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

11.1 FAR 52.204-6 -- Data Universal Numbering System Number (Jul 2013)

(a) Definition. Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number, as used in this provision, means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities, which is used as the identification number for Federal Contractors.

(b) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" or "DUNS+4" followed by the DUNS number or "DUNS+4" that identifies the offeror's name and address exactly as stated in the offer. The DUNS number is a nine-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. The DUNS+4 is the DUNS number plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned at the discretion of the offeror to establish additional System for Award Management records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see Subpart 32.11) for the same concern.

(c) If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one.

(1) An offeror may obtain a DUNS number—

(i) Via the internet at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform> or if the offeror does not have internet access, it may call Dun and Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 if located within the United States; or

(ii) If located outside the United States, by contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office. The offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a U.S. Government contract when contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.

(2) The offeror should be prepared to provide the following information:

(i) Company legal business name.

(ii) Tradestyle, doing business, or other name by which your entity is commonly recognized.

(iii) Company physical street address, city, state and Zip Code.

(iv) Company mailing address, city, state and Zip Code (if separate from physical).

- (v) Company telephone number.
- (vi) Date the company was started.
- (vii) Number of employees at your location.
- (viii) Chief executive officer/key manager.
- (ix) Line of business (industry).
- (x) Company Headquarters name and address (reporting relationship within your entity).

(End of Provision)

11.2 FAR 52.204-7 -- System for Award Management (Jul 2013)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

“Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number” means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities.

“Data Universal Numbering System+4 (DUNS+4) number” means the DUNS number means the number assigned by D&B plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned by a business concern. (D&B has no affiliation with this 4-character suffix.) This 4-character suffix may be assigned at the discretion of the business concern to establish additional System for Award Management records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see the FAR at Subpart 32.11) for the same concern.

“Registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database” means that—

- (1) The Offeror has entered all mandatory information, including the DUNS number or the DUNS+4 number, the Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, as well as data required by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (see Subpart 4.14), into the SAM database; and
- (2) The offeror has completed the Core, Assertions, and Representations and Certification, and Points of contact sections of the registration in the SAM database;
- (3) The Government has validated all mandatory data fields, to include validation of the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The Offeror will be required to provide consent for TIN validation to the Government as a part of the SAM registration process.
- (4) The Government has marked the record “Active”.

(b)

(1) By submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the SAM database prior to award, during performance, and through final payment of any contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchasing agreement resulting from this solicitation.

(2) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation “DUNS” or “DUNS+4” followed by the DUNS or DUNS+4 number that identifies the offeror’s name and address exactly as

stated in the offer. The DUNS number will be used by the Contracting Officer to verify that the offeror is registered in the SAM database.

(c) If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one.

(1) An offeror may obtain a DUNS number—

(i) Via the internet at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform> or if the offeror does not have internet access, it may call Dun and Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 if located within the United States; or

(ii) If located outside the United States, by contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office. The offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a U.S. Government contract when contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.

(2) The offeror should be prepared to provide the following information:

(i) Company legal business name.

(ii) Tradestyle, doing business, or other name by which your entity is commonly recognized.

(iii) Company physical street address, city, state and Zip Code.

(iv) Company mailing address, city, state and Zip Code (if separate from physical).

(v) Company telephone number.

(vi) Date the company was started.

(vii) Number of employees at your location.

(viii) Chief executive officer/key manager.

(ix) Line of business (industry).

(x) Company Headquarters name and address (reporting relationship within your entity).

(d) If the Offeror does not become registered in the SAM database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror.

(e) Processing time, which normally takes 48 hours, should be taken into consideration when registering. Offerors who are not registered should consider applying for registration immediately upon receipt of this solicitation.

(f) Offerors may obtain information on registration at <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

(End of Provision)

11.3 FAR 52.204-8 -- Annual Representations and Certifications (Jan 2014)

(a)

- (1) The North American Industry classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is **115310**
- (2) The small business size standard is **\$7.0** .
- (3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(b)

- (1) If the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (d) of this provision applies.
- (2) If the provision at 52.204-7 is not included in this solicitation, and the offeror is currently registered in the System for Award Management (SAM), and has completed the Representations and Certifications section of SAM electronically, the offeror may choose to use paragraph (d) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certification in the solicitation. The offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:

☐ (i) Paragraph (d) applies.

☐ (ii) Paragraph (d) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.

(c)

- (1) The following representations or certifications in SAM are applicable to this solicitation as indicated:
- (i) 52.203-2, Certificate of Independent Price Determination. This provision applies to solicitations when a firm-fixed-price contract or fixed-price contract with economic price adjustment is contemplated, unless—
- (A) The acquisition is to be made under the simplified acquisition procedures in Part 13;
- (B) The solicitation is a request for technical proposals under two-step sealed bidding procedures; or
- (C) The solicitation is for utility services for which rates are set by law or regulation.
- (ii) 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions. This provision applies to solicitations expected to exceed \$150,000.
- (iii) 52.204-3, Taxpayer Identification. This provision applies to solicitations that do not include the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management.

(iv) 52.204-5, Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business). This provision applies to solicitations that—

(A) Are not set aside for small business concerns;

(B) Exceed the simplified acquisition threshold; and

(C) Are for contracts that will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(v) 52.209-2, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation. This provision applies to solicitations using funds appropriated in fiscal years 2008, 2009, 2010, or 2012.

(vi) 52.209-5; Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters. This provision applies to solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(vii) 52.214-14, Place of Performance--Sealed Bidding. This provision applies to invitations for bids except those in which the place of performance is specified by the Government.

(viii) 52.215-6, Place of Performance. This provision applies to solicitations unless the place of performance is specified by the Government.

(ix) 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representations (Basic & Alternate I). This provision applies to solicitations when the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(A) The basic provision applies when the solicitations are issued by other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.

(B) The provision with its Alternate I applies to solicitations issued by DoD, NASA, or the Coast Guard.

(x) 52.219-2, Equal Low Bids. This provision applies to solicitations when contracting by sealed bidding and the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(xi) 52.222-22, Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.

(xii) 52.222-25, Affirmative Action Compliance. This provision applies to solicitations, other than those for construction, when the solicitation includes the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.

(xiii) 52.222-38, Compliance with Veterans' Employment Reporting Requirements. This provision applies to solicitations when it is anticipated the contract award will exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and the contract is not for acquisition of commercial items.

(xiv) 52.223-1, Biobased Product Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA-designated items; or include the clause at 52.223-2, Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts.

(xv) 52.223-4, Recovered Material Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that are for, or specify the use of, EPA- designated items.

(xvi) 52.225-2, Buy American Act Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-1.

(xvii) 52.225-4, Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Basic, Alternates I, II, and III.) This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225- 3.

(A) If the acquisition value is less than \$25,000, the basic provision applies.

(B) If the acquisition value is \$25,000 or more but is less than \$50,000, the provision with its Alternate I applies.

(C) If the acquisition value is \$50,000 or more but is less than \$79,507, the provision with its Alternate II applies.

(D) If the acquisition value is \$79,507 or more but is less than \$100,000, the provision with its Alternate III applies.

(xviii) 52.225-6, Trade Agreements Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-5.

(xix) 52.225-20, Prohibition on Conducting Restricted Business Operations in Sudan--Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xx) 52.225-25, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran—Representation and Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xxi) 52.226-2, Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation. This provision applies to—

(A) Solicitations for research, studies, supplies, or services of the type normally acquired from higher educational institutions; and

(B) For DoD, NASA, and Coast Guard acquisitions, solicitations that contain the clause at 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns.

(2) The following certifications are applicable as indicated by the Contracting Officer:

___ (i) 52.219-22, Small Disadvantaged Business Status.

___ (A) Basic.

___ (B) Alternate I.

___ (ii) 52.222-18, Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products.

___ (iii) 52.222-48, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment Certification.

___ (iv) 52.222-52 Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services-Certification.

___ (v) 52.223-9, with its Alternate I, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Products (Alternate I only).

___ (vi) 52.227-6, Royalty Information.

___ (A) Basic.

___ (B) Alternate I.

___ (vii) 52.227-15, Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software.

(d) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the SAM Web site accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov> . After reviewing the SAM database information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically that apply to this solicitation as indicated in paragraph (c) of this provision have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below [*offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date*]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

FAR Clause	Title	Date	Change

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on SAM.

(End of Provision)

PROVISIONS**11.4 FAR 52.204-9 - Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel (Jan 2011)**

(a) The Contractor shall comply with agency personal identity verification procedures identified in the contract that implement Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD-12), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance M-05-24, and Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS PUB) Number 201.

(b) The Contractor shall account for all forms of Government-provided identification issued to the Contractor employees in connection with performance under this contract. The Contractor shall return such identification to the issuing agency at the earliest of any of the following, unless otherwise determined by the Government;

(1) When no longer needed for contract performance.

(2) Upon completion of the Contractor employee's employment.

(3) Upon contract completion or termination.

(c) The Contracting Officer may delay final payment under a contract if the Contractor fails to comply with these requirements.

(d) The Contractor shall insert the substance of clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts when the subcontractor's employees are required to have routine physical access to a Federally-controlled facility and/or routine access to a Federally-controlled information system. It shall be the responsibility of the prime Contractor to return such identification to the issuing agency in accordance with the terms set forth in paragraph (b) of this section, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(End of Clause)

11.5 FAR 52.232-35 - Designation of Office for Government Receipt of Electronic Funds Transfer Information (Jul 2013)

(a) As provided in paragraph (b) of the clause at 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer--Other than System for Award Management, the Government has designated the office cited in paragraph (c) of this clause as the office to receive the Contractor's electronic funds transfer (EFT) information, in lieu of the payment office of this contract.

(b) The Contractor shall send all EFT information, and any changes to EFT information to the office designated in paragraph (c) of this clause. The Contractor shall not send EFT information to the payment office, or any other office than that designated in paragraph (c). The Government need not use any EFT information sent to any office other than that designated in paragraph (c).

(c) Designated Office:

USDA - Office of the Chief Financial Officer - National Finance Center

Mailing Address: PO Box 60,000, New Orleans, LA 70160

Telephone No. 800-421-0323

Person to Contact: NFC Miscellaneous Payments Section

Electronic Address: <http://www.nfc.usda.gov/Dcia/index.html>

(End of clause)]

11.6 FAR 52.225-1 - Buy American Act - Supplies (Feb 2009)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause--

“Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item”—

(1) Means any item of supply (including construction material) that is—

(i) A commercial item (as defined in paragraph (1) of the definition at FAR 2.101);

(ii) Sold in substantial quantities in the commercial marketplace; and

(iii) Offered to the Government, under a contract or subcontract at any tier, without modification, in the same form in which it is sold in the commercial marketplace; and

(2) Does not include bulk cargo, as defined in section 3 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. App. 1702), such as agricultural products and petroleum products.

“Component” means an article, material, or supply incorporated directly into an end product.

“Cost of components” means--

(1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the end product (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or

(2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the end product.

“Domestic end product” means—

(1) An unmanufactured end product mined or produced in the United States;

(2) An end product manufactured in the United States, if—

(i) The cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind as those that the agency determines are not mined, produced, or manufactured in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality are treated as domestic. Scrap generated, collected, and prepared for processing in the United States is considered domestic; or

(ii) The end product is a COTS item.

“End product” means those articles, materials, and supplies to be acquired under the contract for public use.

“Foreign end product” means an end product other than a domestic end product.

“United States” means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

(b) The Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d) provides a preference for domestic end products for supplies acquired for use in the United States. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. 431, the component test of the Buy American Act is waived for an end product that is a COTS item (See 12.505(a)(1)).

(c) Offerors may obtain from the Contracting Officer a list of foreign articles that the Contracting Officer will treat as domestic for this contract.

(d) The Contractor shall deliver only domestic end products except to the extent that it specified delivery of foreign end products in the provision of the solicitation entitled "Buy American Act Certificate."

(End of clause)

11.7 FAR 52.225-2 - Buy American Act Certificate (Feb 2009)

(a) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (b) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of "domestic end product." The terms "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Supplies."

(b) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.:	Country of Origin:

[List as necessary]

(c) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of Part 25 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(End of Provision)

11.8 Taxpayer Identification

☐ TIN: _____

☐ TIN has been applied for.

☐ TIN is not required because:

☐ Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government;

11.9 AGAR 452.219-70 Size Standard and NAICS Code Information (SEP 2001)

The North American Industrial Classification System Code(s) and business size standard(s) describing the products and/or services to be acquired under this solicitation are listed below:

Contract line item(s): ALL

-- NAICS Code 115310

-- Size Standard \$7.0

(End of provision)

SECTION 12 – INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS**12.1 FAR 52.216-1 Type of Contract (APR 1984)**

The Government contemplates award of a Firm-Fixed-Price contract resulting from this solicitation.

12.2 AGAR 452.237-71 Pre-Bid/Proposal Conference (FEB1988)

There will be no site visit scheduled for this project, offerers or quoters are urged and expected to inspect the sites where work is to be performed and to satisfy themselves regarding all general and local conditions that may affect the cost of contract performance, to the extent that the information is reasonably obtainable. In no event shall failure to inspect the site constitute grounds for a claim after contract award.

12.3 AGAR 452.236-72 Use of Premises (NOV 1996)

(a) Before any camp, quarry, borrow pit, storage, detour, or bypass site, other than shown on the drawings, is opened or operated on USDA land or lands administered by the USDA, the Contractor shall obtain written permission from the Contracting Officer. A camp is interpreted to include a campsite or trailer parking area of any employee working on the project for the Contractor.

(b) Unless excepted elsewhere in the contract, the Contractor shall: (i) provide and maintain sanitation facilities for the work force at the site; and (ii) dispose of solid waste in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local regulations.

12.4 FAR 52.212-1 -- Instructions to Offerors -- Commercial Items (Jul 2013)

(a) North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and small business size standard. The NAICS code and small business size standard for this acquisition appear in Block 10 of the solicitation cover sheet (SF 1449). However, the small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, but which proposes to furnish an item which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(b) *Submission of offers.* Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show --

- (1) The solicitation number;
- (2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers;
- (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the offeror;
- (4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;
- (5) Terms of any express warranty;
- (6) Price and any discount terms;
- (7) "Remit to" address, if different than mailing address;

(8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications at FAR 52.212-3 (see FAR 52.212-3(b) for those representations and certifications that the offeror shall complete electronically);

(9) Acknowledgment of Solicitation Amendments;

(10) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and

(11) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.

(c) *Period for acceptance of offers.* The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 30 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(d) *Product samples.* When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.

(e) *Multiple offers.* Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions or commercial items for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.

(f) *Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.*

(1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that offers or revisions are due.

(2)

(i) Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and—

(A) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of offers; or

(B) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or

(C) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, it was the only proposal received.

(ii) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer, that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(3) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the offer wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

(4) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(5) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers. Oral offers in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers, subject to the conditions specified in the solicitation concerning facsimile offers. An offer may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of offers, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer.

(g) *Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids)*. The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(h) *Multiple awards*. The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.

(i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation.

(1)

(i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to--

GSA Federal Supply Service Specifications Section

Suite 8100
470 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
Washington, DC 20407
Telephone (202) 619-8925)

Facsimile (202 619-8978).

(ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (i)(1)(i) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.

(2) Most unclassified Defense specifications and standards may be downloaded from the following ASSIST websites--

(i) ASSIST (<http://assist.daps.dla.mil>).

(ii) Quick Search (<http://assist.daps.dla.mil/quicksearch/>).

(iii) ASSISTdocs.com (<http://assistdocs.com>).

(3) Documents not available from ASSIST may be ordered from the Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP) by—

(i) Using the ASSIST Shopping Wizard (<http://assist.daps.dla.mil/wizard>);

(ii) Phoning the DoDSSP Customer Service Desk (215) 697-2179, Mon-Fri, 0730 to 1600 EST;
or

(iii) Ordering from DoDSSP, Building 4 Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Telephone (215) 697/2197, Facsimile (215) 697-1462.

(4) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.

(j) *Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number.* (Applies to offers exceeding \$3,000, and offers of \$3,000 or less if the solicitation requires the Contractor to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database. The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation “DUNS” or “DUNS+4” followed by the DUNS or DUNS+4 number that identifies the offeror’s

name and address. The DUNS+4 is the DUNS number plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned at the discretion of the offeror to establish additional SAM records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see FAR Subpart 32.11) for the same concern. If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one. An offeror within the United States may contact Dun and Bradstreet by calling 1-866-705-5711 or via the Internet at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>. An offeror located outside the United States must contact the local Dun and Bradstreet office for DUNS number. The offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a Government contract when contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.

(k) *System for Award Management*. Unless exempted by an addendum to this solicitation, by submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the SAM database prior to award, during performance and through final payment of any contract resulting from this solicitation. If the Offeror does not become registered in the SAM database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror. Offerors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the SAM database accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

(l) *Debriefing*. If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:

- (1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.
- (2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.
- (3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
- (4) A summary of rationale for award;
- (5) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.
- (6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

(End of Provision)

SECTION 13- EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD**13.1 FAR 52.212-2 - Evaluation - Commercial Items (Jan 1999)**

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

- (i) Price
- (ii) Technical ability of the offer presented to meet the Government requirement: Experience and equipment to complete the work within the specified timeframe while meeting specifications
- (iii) Past Performance
The government may also use past performance information obtained from other than the sources identified by the offeror. Information obtained from the past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS) database located at <http://www.ppirs.gov> is one of the sources that will be utilized. PPIRS functions as the central warehouse for performance assessment reports received from several Federal performance information collection systems and is sponsored by the DOD E-Business Office and administered by the Naval Sea Logistics Center Detachment Portsmouth.

NOTE: *In accordance with Far 15.305, in the case of an offeror without a record of relevant past performance or for whom information on past performance is not available, the offeror will not be evaluated either favorably in this area, but instead will receive a neutral rating in the area of past performance. Offerors that have relevant past performance and plan to supply references, please provide the following: Contractor's name, phone number, and relevant work required in this solicitation.*

Technical and past performance, when combined, are of lesser value when compared to price (FAR 15.304).

(b) *Options.* The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of Provision)